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TELEGRAMS.

THE BALKAN CRISIS.

THE ALLIES' NOTE.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, January 29.
The Servian Charge d'Affaires this afternoon handed Rehid Pasha the Allies' Note, declaring that the negotiations were broken off.

Roumanian Demands.
London, January 30.
Dr. Danef, head of the Bulgarian delegation, and M. Mishu, the Roumanian Minister, to-day signed a Protocol which will serve as a basis of further negotiations at Sofia and Bukharest.

The Protocol records new demands by Roumania, namely, the frontier from Turtukan, upon the banks of the Danube, westward of Silistria to Butohik twenty miles northward of Varna.

The Bulgarians are indignant at these fresh demands while the Roumanians believe that all will be settled amicably.

Telegrams from Bukharest indicate that public opinion is forcing the Government to make larger and more determined demands on Bulgaria.

Numerous meetings have been held and revolutionary resolutions were fervidly passed in favour of insistence upon a large cession of territory.

Diplomatists' Hopes.

Later.
Reuter's Constantinople correspondent states that diplomatists are favourably impressed by indications regarding the nature of the Porte's reply to the Powers. They believe it will serve as the basis of a settlement, or, at least, lead to a resumption of negotiations.

Bulgaria and the Armistice.

Reuter's Vienna correspondent wires that it is stated that the Bulgarian headquarters have been ordered to denounce the armistice.

The Allies' Delegates.

The chief Balkan delegates are leaving London, but the secondary delegates remain to keep in touch with the Foreign Office and the Conference of Ambassadors.

The Turkish Reply.

Later.
A telegram from Constantinople dated Thursday states that Turkey has presented her Reply to the Powers. It is moderate in tone and stipulates the retention of the quarters in Adrianople where the Holy Shrines are located; agrees to the dismantling of the fortifications; proposes to leave to the Powers the question of the disposal of land on the right bank of the Maritza; and requires the maintenance of Turkish sovereignty in the Aegean Islands, which are strategically important owing to their proximity to the coast, but leaves it to the Powers to settle the form of administration therein.

A later message says the text of the Note has been published. It does not mention the matter of fortifications; insists on the necessity of that part of Adrianople to the left of the Maritza, where are situated the Holy Shrines, remaining under direct Ottoman sovereignty, as the surrender thereof would throw the whole country into commotion and involve the most grave consequences. With reference to the Aegean Islands, the Note urges that any diminution of Ottoman authority would transform and give fresh fuel to the agitation which would spread to neighbouring coasts and result in a situation similar to that in Macedonia, constantly endangering peace. Turkey is confident that the Powers, in determining the status of the islands, will regard these considerations, and hopes that the Powers will recognise the extent of the sacrifices proposed and will agree that Turkey would be right in rejecting further demands.

TELEGRAMS.

THE BALKAN CRISIS.

WARLIKE, BULGARIA.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, January 29.

Reuter's correspondent at Sofia states that General Savoff, in an Order to the Army, says—"The enemy, in anxious, by a stroke of the pen, to destroy all you have won. Will the heroes of Kirk Kilisse, Bunarhisar, Luleburgas and Chatalja allow this affront to go unanswered? He urges them to prepare for fresh victories.

Reply Unacceptable.

Later.

Dr. Danef, chief Bulgarian delegate, interviewed by Reuter, emphatically affirmed that Turkey's reply was unacceptable to the Allies.

Reuter's Constantinople correspondent states that the Allies have given notice that the armistice is terminated.

Delegates' Gratitude.

The delegates of the Allies have sent a letter to Sir Edward Grey informing him of the rupture in the negotiations, and asking him to convey to His Majesty the King their respectful gratitude, and expressing to Sir Edward Grey and the Government their high esteem and sincere thanks for the cordial hospitality extended to them during their stay in London.

TELEGRAMS.

UNIONIST POLICY.

PREMIER'S SEARCHING CRITICISM.

London, January 30.

Mr. Asquith, speaking at Leven (Scotland), described Mr. Bonar Law's fiscal attitude as a tortuous gyrating manoeuvre. He asked what were the manufactured goods whereon it was proposed to impose tariffs, what in the absence of food duties was the nature of the preference to be immediately given the Colonies, and why were the latter to be burdened with the responsibility of taxing food? He declared that he spoke from knowledge when he asserted that not one of the Dominions would consent to enter into such a position.

It had been said, continued Mr. Asquith, that the Empire was falling to pieces, but in fact it was more closely united than ever. The new Protection was a temporary tactical expedient.

TELEGRAMS.

PACIFIC FLEET.

NEW ZEALAND POLICY.

London, January 30.

The Hon. Mr. Allen, Minister of Defence for New Zealand, has arrived in England to confer with the authorities of the Empire on the question of defence in the Pacific Ocean.

Bearing the Burden.

Interviewed by a Reuter's representative, Mr. Allen said the policy of simply paying a subsidy cannot be permanent. New Zealand must eventually provide men to man the Fleet. The full burden of the Pacific Fleet should be borne by those living in the Pacific. Canada, Australia, New Zealand, and even India and South Africa should unite in maintaining it. It was a question of control which was not insoluble.

New Zealand Volunteers.

He had also come to discuss the organisation of a New Zealand expeditionary corps of eight thousand volunteers who would serve anywhere in the Empire. Mr. Allen is also to conduct negotiations regarding the Development Loan.

TELEGRAMS.

THEIR LATEST TRICK.

SUFFRAGETTE "MESSAGES."

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, January 30.

Numbers of letters have been found in pillar-boxes throughout the country addressed to Mr. Asquith and Mr. Lloyd George containing a liquid which burst into flame on exposure to the air.

Anticipating Punishment.

A number of Suffragettes appeared at Bow Street Police Court to-day with luggage, anticipating imprisonment.

The sentences imposed were in most cases a fortnight's imprisonment.

TELEGRAMS.

GERMAN NAVAL COMMAND.

VICE ADMIRAL INGENHOHL'S NEW POST.

London, January 30.

Vice Admiral Ingenohl, formerly commanding the German Far Eastern Squadron, has been appointed to the Chief Command of the German High Seas Fleet.

TELEGRAMS.

MR ASQUITH HONOURED.

SILENCED BY SUFFRAGETTES

London, January 24.

Mr. Asquith, Prime Minister, has been presented with the Freedom of Dundee. He was given a great ovation in Kinnaird Hall.

While attempting to reply to a glowing tribute by the Lord Provost, the Premier was subjected to continual Suffragette interruptions, which culminated in an uproar.

There was a sensational incident when a woman in endeavouring to evade the ejectors was just seized when about to jump from the gallery.

The excited audience hissed and howled in indignation.

Mr. Churchill was cheered on entering in the height of the uproar.

Eventually Mr. Asquith was able to speak. He congratulated Dundee on being represented by Mr. Churchill, a man of shrinking modesty—(Laughter). He had done more than anyone he (Mr. Asquith) knew for his years, and would do greater things still.

The Premier dwelt on the slowness of Parliamentary business, but said that Municipal effort would solve problems which on a larger scale might take a lifetime.

Mr. Churchill's Optimism.

The Lord Provost presided at a luncheon given in honour of Mr. Asquith.

Responding to the toast of "The Navy," Mr. Churchill said the Navy was as strong as it needed to be in times like these. When he introduces the Estimates he was confident he would be able to show that the Navy was getting stronger, actually and relatively, and that there was no danger of our supremacy being diminished by the progress of time or the changes in naval science.

The Army also was efficient and was working in ever closer accord with the Navy. Britain's strength, however, would be used to maintain peace in the world. "Our antagonisms with France in the old days," said Mr. Churchill, "led to the naval fortification of the South Coast. The international situation is now changed, and the inlets and harbours on the East Coast have acquired special importance. Our disputes with France ended happily, and we may look forward to a time when, without a rupture of peace, we shall find ourselves on the best terms with another Great Power." (Cheers.)

TELEGRAMS.

P. AND O. COMPANY.

IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENT.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, January 30.

From now onward the interest of the Cunard Line will be represented in Aden, India, the Straits Settlements, Hongkong, China, Japan, and Australia by the P. and O. establishment.

This is a corollary of the co-operation proposals referred to in a message on September 11th.

[The message referred to was as follows:—"The Financial News" says it is announced in New York that the Cunard Line has been appointed official representative of the Peninsular and Oriental S.N. Company in the United States and Canada, as the result of negotiations which have been proceeding for some time. The journal mentioned describes this as an important development in the world's shipping, for, though nothing in the nature of amalgamation is suggested, there appears to be something approaching a working arrangement.]

TELEGRAMS.

MALAY DREADNOUGHT.

GOVERNMENT'S POLICY.

London, January 30.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Kelle, Unionist M.P. for Portsmouth, asked the Government for an assurance that none of the money voted by the Federated Malay States for a Dreadnought should be spent until the House had had an opportunity of accepting or declining the offer of a warship, from those States.

Mr. Churchill replied that the Government had already accepted the offer; the contract had been settled and construction would commence forthwith. He was confident that the House would support the action of the Government.

TELEGRAMS.

EYRE DIOCESAN REFUGE.

Report of the Past Year's work

The annual meeting of the subscribers to the Eyre Diocesan Girls' Refuge, took place yesterday afternoon at the Refuge when Bishop Lander presided. H. E. the Governor and Lady May were also present.

The Rev. C. N. Pope having opened the proceedings with prayer, the chairman called on Miss Pitts, the secretary to submit the report and accounts. The balance sheet showed an expenditure of £10,425 17 including £3,037 93 for household maintenance, laundry, £1,498 01 salaries, £1,430 74, and wages £1,955 52. Receipts included laundry \$5 352 29 sewing room \$477 95, amount collected by ladies of the committee \$816, totalling with other items \$10,101 10 20. There is a balance in hand of £185 03.

The Annual Report.

The annual report contained the following passages:—"The year opened in shadow with our superintendent at home on furlough, and a staff of workers all too insufficient for their task; in consequence the laundry deteriorated, resulting in financial stress, and what was more serious, in the girls getting somewhat out of hand and becoming disobedient and troublesome. In April, to our great relief, our superintendent returned; she at once set herself to restore order and discipline, and successfully accomplished the not very easy task.

With regard to the work done in the home, we can report a steady increase in the efficiency of the Laundry, especially since the return of the Superintendent and the introduction of the several labour saving machines provided by the kindness of her friends in Germany.

TELEGRAMS.

HOME RULE BILL.

REJECTED BY PEERS.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, January 31.

The House of Lords has rejected the second reading of the Home Rule Bill. The division resulted as follows:—
Against Second Reading 326.
For " " " 69.

Majority Against..... 257.

TELEGRAMS.

STEAMER LOST.

RUN DOWN BY SAILING VESSEL.

London, January 30.
A message from Reuter's correspondent Havre says that the French steamer Phyrne, from Algeria to Rouen, was run down off Cape La Hague by the German fourmasted vessel Pangani, bound from Hamburg to Valparaiso. The Pangani is one of the largest sailing ships in the world. Thirty men were drowned, and four were saved.

TELEGRAMS.

St. Mary's Chapel.

One event of great importance to the Refuge calls for Special Notice, and that is the opening of St. Mary's Chapel, which took place on April 1st. From that date the girls have been baptized and married there instead of going to St. Stephen's Church. Their evident enjoyment of the Sunday Services and their wonderfully quiet and reverent behaviour has been remarked by more than one visitor. It is worth recording, and a great cause for thankfulness, that their voluntary offerings during the past nine months have amounted to no less than \$73. During the year sixteen of the girls have been baptized at their own request, and eight were confirmed by the Bishop of Victoria, while others are under preparation.

Eleven girls were married, the "Refuge" having well maintained its reputation for providing instructions, well-conducted wives. Three of these brides went to Sarawak, and we hear of them that they are happy and doing well, and more like them are wanted. Two have married Basel Mission Christians, one is the wife of the Chapel-keeper, another of a dockyard man, and three of country Christians. One marriage has not been satisfactory, the husband behaving so badly that we have had to receive the girl back into the Refuge.

Work Done.

As regards actual statistics the number of articles washed rose from nearly 28,000 in the first to nearly 34,000 in the fourth quarter and reached the grand total of 129,950 during the year. Thanks to the energy and spirit of Mr. Pollock, a contract has now been concluded with the Government whereby from January 1, 1913, the whole of the washing for the Civil Hospitals will be undertaken in addition to the private customers work. This means an enormous amount of work but gives steady employment of a fairly easy kind to a greater number of girls, and a more certain income. Of course it has meant an initial outlay in structural alterations to the building and equipment, but we feel this is justified.

The health of the inmates has caused us grave anxiety; the number of cases of Malaria has been appalling. Dr. Sibree reports that almost every inmate has suffered from it. During the last quarter of the year there were, e.g., 37 cases in October, 45 in November, and 23 in December. We are glad to hear that Government is now considering the removal of the causes of fever, and we trust that it will soon take action. The report concluded with an appreciation of the work of the late Miss Eyre.

TELEGRAMS.

LORD HARDINGE.

ANOTHER OPERATION.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, January 30.

Lord Hardinge, Viceroy of India, has undergone another operation.

Fragments of metal and wood were removed from the wound. It is hoped that this will accelerate the healing.

Dr. Alice Sibree also spoke of the amount of malaria in the home, and pleaded for funds for the creation of a very necessary isolation room in the new wing to be built. For the last year, she remarked, the amount of malaria had been appalling, and week after week they had to come down there and been told by the matron that there were ten, twelve, or thirteen girls in bed with fever.

Bishop Lander felt that this was one of their most interesting diocesan institutions, and it was certainly a Christlike work that was being done. She spoke in a humorous vein of the number of girls who left the institution to get married. They often heard from them after they had left the home, and they got more applications for wives than they were able to supply (laughter). A man wrote rather quaintly from Singapore, that he had had a wife from the home and she was so successful, would they please send another. (Laughter). That was rather alarming, but the letter went on to say that the writer wanted her for a friend. The Bishop also paid a tribute to the memory of the late Miss Eyre who founded the home, and who had laboured so hard in its interests. He thought it was only fitting that the refuge should be called after her.

In moving the adoption of the report and accounts, His Excellency, in a humorous speech, sketched the history of the building and told how it was used for a reformatory and how one inmate escaped. Afterwards the building was turned into a prison and, later on, was devoted to the present work. His Excellency told a happy story in conclusion. The only dealing he really had with the Po Leung Kuk was in the matter of recommending one of his Chinese dependents to go there to get a wife. One of the men complained to him some years ago that the wife he had thus procured had a very bad temper and asked if anything could be done (laughter). He put the man off, but about two months later, the man asked whether it was permissible to use a stick (laughter). He replied that whenever a man wanted to use a stick and wanted to know whether it would be permissible, it would be better to use it first, and ask for authority after (laughter).

He regretted to hear the reports as to malaria and assured them that the Government would look into it. He thought they had stamped out the sources of the trouble, but if it had been so ripe there must be something more to be done.

Dr. Sibree seconded the adoption of the report and the motion was carried.

On the motion of the Chairman the following committee was elected for the ensuing year:—Mrs. Alabaster, Mrs. Bell, Mrs. Bowley, Mrs. Barnett, Mrs. Churchill, Mrs. Hallifax, Mrs. Harston, Mrs. Irwin, Mrs. Kemp, Mrs. Lander, Mrs. Paterson, Mrs. Pollock, Mrs. Shultze, and Dr. Alice Sibree, Hon. Medical Officer.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to His Excellency and Lady May for their attendance, proposed by the Bishop and seconded by the Rev. C. H. Hickling.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

TELEGRAMS.

THE NEWS CONDENSED.

The Sextuple Loan is on the eve of settlement.

Disbanded Chinese troops are creating unrest at Wuchang.

The Allies have given notice to Turkey of the termination of the armistice.

The House of Lords has rejected the Home Rule Bill by a majority of 275 votes.

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Mr. Churchill, at Dundee, referred in optimistic terms to the Navy and Army, and made friendly references to Germany.

Henceforth the Cunard Line's interests in India, Aden, the Far East and Australia are to be represented by the P. and O. Co.

The Balkan delegates in London have conveyed their gratitude and thanks to the King, Sir Edward Grey and the Government.

LOCAL.

An interesting lecture was given by the Rev. G. B. Berry at the Seamen's Institute last night.

Hongkong and Y.M.C.A. Hockey Clubs again met last night. The former won by seven goals to three.

The annual meeting of the Eyre Diocesan Refuge was held yesterday afternoon at the Refuge at Causeway Bay.

Professor Robertson of Shanghai gave a most interesting lecture on "Wireless Telegraphy and Telephony" at the Y.M.C.A. last night.

A defendant who was remanded in police custody to-day asked for "some better food." He wanted "some beef steak or something solid."

Last night a man detained in the Police Station at West Point tried to escape from his cell. He also made an attempt to escape from the dock to-day.

Speaking at Queen's College to-day, His Excellency said that Chinese youths would do well to imitate the men of the West as to the age at which they marry.

STRAITS RACING ASSOCIATION.

At a meeting of the Straits Racing Association the applications of Stookdale for a jockey, and trainer's license and of Duval for a jockey's license were refused. All the other applicants were granted licenses.

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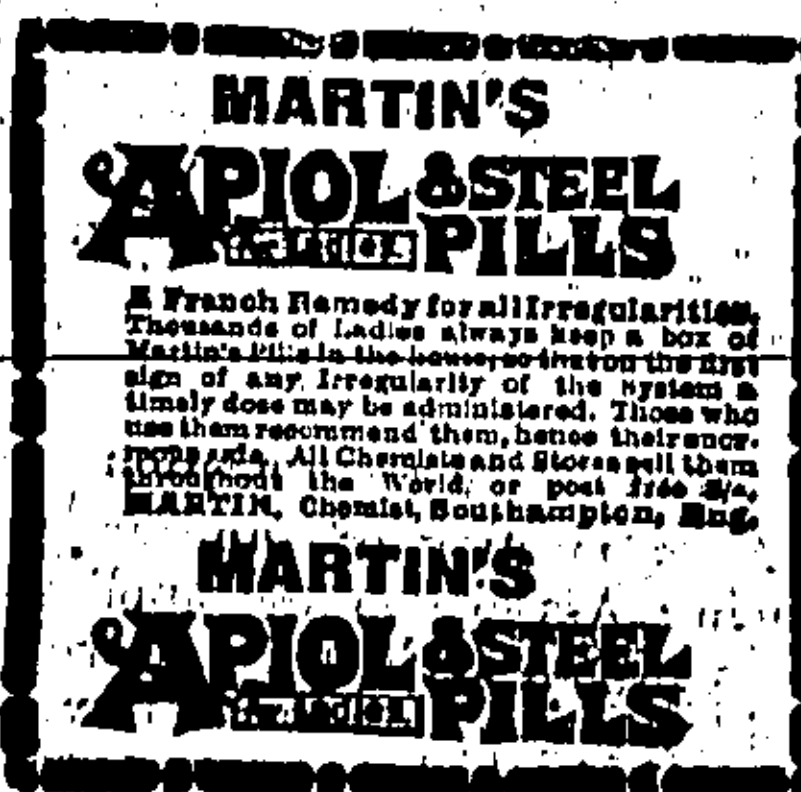
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China and Burma.

Sir George Scott concludes:
"So far as is known, the Chinese
Republic has been much too busy
keeping an eye on recalcitrant
Manchus and watching the pro-
ceedings of Russians and Japa-
nese, to say nothing of its pre-
occupation in resisting the offers
of six eager moneylenders; to
think of appointing any one to
keep order and dispense justice
in so far away a territory and so
far a province as Yunnan. Con-
sequently our officers will be un-
able to see the wrongs of our
subjects righted, and they are
far from being the sort of
people who will submit to this
tamely. The result is that the
frontier line is likely to be as
lively a place as Macedonia was,
and may possibly continue
to be, with Moslem, Bulgarian,
Serbian, Greek, and Albanian
komitadjis. The prospects are
none the more cheerful, because
it seems very possible that south-
west Su-chuan may soon not be
much better off. The Lo-lo are
no doubt picturesque to look at,
and romantic to talk about, but
they are ill people to live near.
And there are the Lisu and the
Sifans and many more who may
make a pretty cockpit of the
Chinese country for many
miles round their hills. This
will annoy the Republic
much more, and may probably
stir them up to action." We have not heard that
any official representations
have been made to the Chinese
Government with regard to the
lawlessness prevailing in Yunnan
and on the Burma-Chinese fron-
tier particularly; if they have,
China can hardly be slow to
realise the importance of taking
the earliest step to restore peace
and order, for such conditions as
Sir George Scott describes ob-
viously menace the interests of
both Burma and French Indo-
China.

South China Morning Post.

The Cargo Ship.

Naturally the effect of improve-
ments has been greater in the
case of fast than of slow steamers,
and this is due no doubt to the
tendency of the age, in spite of
all warnings, to rush from one
end of the world to the other in
the minimum of time. Professor
Comment's essay is most inter-
esting and simply amounts to this
that, barring Canal limitations,
the size and speed of ships is the
great determining factor in the
successful operation of sea borne
traffic. It will be interesting
therefore to note the lines upon
which the trade of the future in
Far Eastern waters will be con-
ducted and whether the great
shipping companies already oper-
ating and which are bound to
enter the field when China be-
comes a serious competitor will
be content with the slow craft of
the present day or will march
with the times.

China Mail.

Home Politics.

The true function of a Govern-
ment lies in the proper regulation
of the internal affairs of the
country it is called upon
to govern. From that point
of view, how does the pre-
sent Government fare? There has
been probably more internal
trouble in the United Kingdom
during the past four years than
during any other period in the
country's history. Industrial up-
heavals have been more numerous,
more menacing, more disastrous
and, frequently, of longer dura-
tion than at any other period.
Home Rule has again been a
mighty disturber of the country's
peace and the Suffragettes have
complicated themselves worse than
hooligans, and certainly been
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GENERAL NEWS.

Alleged Corruption in Japanese Foundry.

A Moji dispatch to the "Osaka Mainichi" reports that some of the staff in the Imperial Iron Foundry at Wakamatsu are accused of robbing the foundry by way of dispatching goods in excess of orders and getting the excess disposed of at lower prices, pocketing the proceeds. Consignees are alleged to be in league with the staff in these dishonest practices.

Hydroplane mishap at Yokohama.

While Lieutenant Kono was flying on a hydroplane at Yokohama recently with a passenger, another naval lieutenant, the machine was overturned by a sudden gust of wind. The two officers were speedily rescued by steam-launches which were standing by, and were unhurt, but the hydroplane was badly damaged and will take three or four days to repair.

Pine-apple Canning in Sarawak.

We hear, says the "Sarawak Gazette," that an enterprising Chinese resident is about to open a pineapple canning factory, and that he has already purchased the necessary plant. This business was already tried there many years ago by a certain Mr. Abou, who came from Singapore with some experience, but failed; principally, we believe, because the supply of the right kind of pineapple was not forthcoming. We wish our enterprising friend better luck.

Redemption of Japanese National Bonds.

Notice has been given by the Finance Department that the balance of the Treasury and Consolidation Bonds (B. mark) with 5 per cent. interest, now remaining unredeemed to the amount of ¥20,410,000, and the Korean bonds now standing at ¥1,000,000, will be redeemed on March 10th next.

£8,219,011 for Charity.

The approximate income for 1911-12 of 905 charities was £8,219,011, according to the edition for 1913 of the Classified Directory to the Metropolitan Charities. Of this total the income for home and foreign missions was £3,381,004, and for hospitals, dispensaries, and convalescent and nursing institutions, £1,324,088.

Nonconformist Decline.

Statistics of the Congregational and Baptist Churches, just issued, for the past year show a decline in both cases in members and Sunday scholars. Congregational Church members numbered 490,722 and Sunday scholars 692,876, a decrease of 2,221 and 3,178, while in the case of the Baptists there were 416,377 members and 570,908 scholars, a decrease of 2,231 and 4,924.

No Free Lunches.

The Blackburn police have been instructed by the Licensing Committee to report any licensee who fails to hang up and maintain the following notice to tenants of all licensed houses in the county borough:—"The licensing justices have directed the chief constable to bring to their notice the conduct of any licensee who gives free drinks, cigars, or any other kind of gift to customers, or who offers any other systematic inducement to the public to frequent licensed premises."

Sale of a Historic Estate.

A large portion of the Ruthin Castle Estate, Denbighshire, will be sold by auction in the early spring by order of Colonel William Cornwallis-West, father-in-law of the Duke of Westminister. Some of the best farms in the Vale of Clwyd, with some agricultural holdings, a well-known hotel, business premises, cottages, and other properties will be offered. Mrs. George Cornwallis-West, Mr. Winston Churchill's mother, is married to Colonel Cornwallis-West's only son.

Typewritten Telegrams.

Typewritten telegrams are among the New Year good resolutions of the General Post Office. The public is tired of the rough-and-ready handwritten transmissions of telegraphic messages with their frequent mistakes in fact and their eccentricities in spelling. Experiments with new instruments have been made for some time, and typewritten telegrams have been despatched in increasing numbers; but the present year will see the end of the experiment stage.

SERVICE MATTERS.

Captain R. A. Nugent, R.N. Captain R. A. Nugent, who had only held the command of the Sixth Flotilla since August, is to leave England shortly for the Far East, to succeed Captain C. E. La Mesurier in command of the cruiser Highflyer and as Flag Captain to H. J. Rear-Admiral Sir R. H. Peirse the new Commander-in-Chief of this Station.

A midshipman, Michael Greenwood, was killed at Portland on December 31 in a coal accident in the battleship Bellerophon. Through the jamming of a hoist more than a ton of coal bags fell on his head, death being instantaneous. The body was borne ashore by four officers and eight bluejackets in full dress. Mr. Greenwood only passed out from the instructional cruiser in September 1912. He was head of his term and a young officer of great promise.

Col. W. G. Grey, Lieutenant-Colonel W. Grey is posted as Political Agent and Deputy Commissioner, Quetta-Pishin. This officer, who has served long in the Persian Gulf, and is one of the chief political experts under the Government of India and exceptionally qualified in the languages in that region, was born in Singapore, being the son of the late Major W. E. Grey, Superintendent of Prisons, Lt.-Col. W. G. Grey after his course at Sandhurst came East with the 5. 2nd Regt (2nd South Lancashire) in 1887.

For the Soldiers' Comfort. In furtherance of the general scheme to make long journeys by rail, undertaken by the British soldier in India, more comfortable, the authorities at Army Headquarters have asked the Agent of the Great Indian Peninsula Railway to build corridor bogies on the lines of a plan submitted. This type of carriage will be fitted with every convenience for cooking, washing and sleeping and if finally adopted will do away with the long halts at Railway Stations, now necessary when troops are bound for stations that necessitate journeys of from two to six days.

Lord C. Bessford and the East Indian Squadron.

The London correspondent of the "Madras Mail" writes that an article in that paper calling attention to the unprotected state of merchant shipping in Mid-Asian waters and urging better provision of cruisers and participation by India in Imperial Naval Defence is warmly welcomed in the Indian time circles. Lord Charles Bessford says there is no doubt that the "Madras Mail" is doing good service by calling attention to the extremely reduced condition of the East India Squadron in point of cruisers. "There will be no one," he says, "who will not welcome the suggestion that India should make a contribution for naval purposes based on the value of her sea borne trade. This would be the best method of insurance she could have. I cannot too strongly point out that, failing adequate cruiser provision in time of war, the trade of Great Britain and the Empire would virtually cease. Even now the shipper is timid, the rates of insurance are high, and I tremble to think what they would be in time of war." Sir E. Fremantle, who was a few years ago Commander-in-Chief of the East India Station, considers it useful to inquire as to what is being done in India to provide for the fitting out of ships in time of war with stores and ammunition. He is aware of what is done at Bombay, but Trincomalee is closed, and while it has been said that its stores have been transferred to Colombo it will be satisfactory to have a definite assurance on the point.

Italian Dreadnought.

The Special Committee appointed to study the designs for super-Dreadnoughts which Italy is to lay down after the completion of battleships of the "Dittio" class, now building, has presented its report to the Minister of Marine. It provides for a vessel of 32,000 tons, with an armament of twelve 381 mm. guns. In view of the large estimated cost of these ships—90,000,000 lire—the Minister has decided to submit the designs to a second committee, presided over by the Duke of Genoa, which will meet in Rome shortly.

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FROM MANGER TO CROSS.

Films Publicly Shown in London.

The first public exhibition of the much discussed cinematograph film "From Manger to Cross" was given in the Albert Hall London recently.

In deference to suggestions made by the Bishop of London and Dr. F. B. Meyer, after the private view a few weeks before, the scenes depicting the hanging of Judas and the nailing to the Cross were omitted from the public performance, and the pictures were accompanied by sacred music, consisting chiefly of well-known hymns beautifully rendered on the grand organ.

Apart from the main question of whether such presentations as this are to be welcomed under any circumstances—and that is a matter which must be left to the individual judgment—it must be said that the treatment of the subject falls short of what is due neither in beauty nor in reverence. The request, made at the beginning of the performance, that no applause should be given was hardly necessary, for the atmosphere was more that of a church than of an entertainment.

Scenes That Might be Omitted. At the same time individual pictures are, of course, open to question and criticism, and the questionings increase towards the closing scenes, where the story of Christ's life, for those for whom it has any sacredness at all, is peculiarly sacred, says the "Daily News and Leader." On that ground alone the representation of the agony in Gethsemane should be omitted.

But here a further consideration arises also. In the absence of any spoken words, the pictures have to tell their own story by means of dramatic action, which is often of necessity exaggerated and sometimes produces an unfortunate effect. This is particularly the case in the portrayal of Jesus weeping over the death of Lazarus (an incident which the reticence of the evangelist passes over in two words), in the interview of the wise men with Herod, and, to a less degree, in the cleansing of the temple.

A rather different question is raised by the presentation of the

scene preceding the Crucifixion. Christian tradition has drawn a picture of the tragic and impressive progress of the sentenced Christ to Calvary as the drama of His life moves on to its inevitable culmination. What is shown us here is very different. We see a broken figure, borne down by the weight of the Cross staggering forward, stumbling, sinking to His knees, and at every false step scourged to His feet by the lashes of the guards. It is not impressive; it is realism from which we shrink instinctively. Yet this picture of humiliation, of broken humanity, is far nearer to the story of the gospels than the scene as our own imagination paints it. Are we to welcome the correction from the cinematograph? That again is a question to be answered individually.

The Early Scenes. Taken as a whole, the first half of the film is the more successful. The early scenes in the life of Jesus are almost without exception represented with great beauty and complete reverence. The simplicity and naturalness of the little group in the stable, with the Child in the manger and ass and calf moving dimly in the background behind Joseph and Mary as they bend over the crib, was impressive as the most carefully-planned elaboration can never be.

The same qualities marked the treatment of the shepherds in the fields, the journey of the "Magi," and their adoration in the stable, and—later in the story—the calling of Andrew and Peter, another picture full of natural charm, showing the lake, with its surface ruffled by the wind in the sunlight, the two fishermen waist-deep in the water casting and drawing in their nets, and then arrested by the voice of the white-robed Teacher on the shore and turning unhesitatingly to obey His call.

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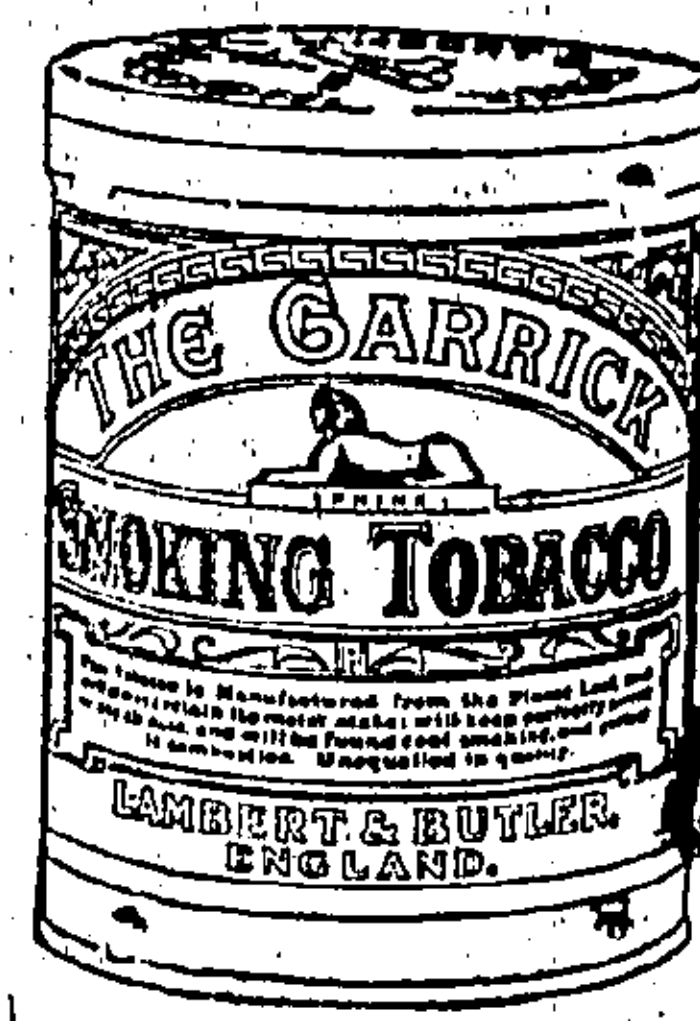
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A DANGEROUS VIEW.

Many people will wonder what is behind the question put in the House of Commons yesterday regarding the Malay Dreadnought. Mr. Falle asked for an assurance that none of the money voted by the F.M.S. for a Dreadnought should be spent until the House had had an opportunity of accepting or declining the offer of a warship. Mr. Churchill lost no time in setting his questioner right on the matter. The offer, he said, had been accepted by the Government, the contract had been settled, and construction would begin shortly. What is behind this rather childish question regarding a patriotic offer? Is the new opinion of patriotism gaining ground? The old view of patriotism was that it is one of the great moral virtues; the new view is that patriotism is an evil, a cloak for national selfishness and international hatred, a cause of war.

It will be a bad day for any country when, and if, this new view gains ground to any extent. By which of the two alternative plans can the greatest moral and material good of mankind be promoted; by rooting out patriotism and replacing it, if possible, by an equal love of all mankind; or by the cultivation of an enlightened patriotism? There can be little difficulty in answering that question. But it is necessary to distinguish as between true patriotism and that debased form of it which is best described as jingoism. It is against this low form of patriotism that much criticism is in reality directed. It may be admitted, of course, that patriotism carries with it the risk of war, but it must never be forgotten that there are serious thinkers of earnest moral purpose, who believe that preparation for war exerts a strengthening effect upon civilised peoples without which they would degenerate. A strong case can be made out for that view which must not be lightly dismissed.

Setting aside this very debatable point, let it be noted that if divisions between nations could be set aside, the risk of international war would be replaced, almost inevitably, by a more dangerous kind of warfare—war of class against class. It cannot escape notice that the new view of patriotism is mostly advanced by Syndicalists who profess to hate international war and do their best to force upon us this more terrible kind of warfare which is mean and ignoble in respect that it springs from the desire to gain material advantage. However it may be regarded, the uprooting of patriotism would be a bad thing. It would mean the uprooting of nationality, and the supreme value of nationhood can only be recognised when we appreciate the value of moral, political and aesthetic traditions. Each nation is in reality the sum of its traditions and, if all nations were merged, the result would be a vast and very colourless community. The special qualities of each nation would be lost and a very indeterminate whole would result. That is the end towards which Britain would drift if she were to curb patriotism either within her borders or on the part of her vast dominions overseas who have given such spontaneous proof of loyalty to late.

A Post Office Record.

May we be permitted to congratulate the Post Office upon achieving something of a record? We sent along for two Post Office orders yesterday; one for 8/8 and the other for 9/-. The simplest plan would have been to send orders for the exact amounts, but a much more ingenious arrangement was adopted, the amount of 8/8 was made up thus:—one order for 5/-, one for 2/6, and one for 1/-; the other order had given even more trouble, thus:—one for 5/-, two for 1/6 each, one for 1/- That made seven orders in all. Presumably if we had asked for two orders to the value of say, 30/-, a sack would have been necessary to carry the result.

Another Instance.

This reminds me that some little time ago a correspondent made a complaint along somewhat similar lines. He sends away, by means of an order, 7/4 monthly, and whenever he sent his boy to the Post Office, an order for 7/6 was given him. The Post Office had no orders for 7/4, it was explained. Our correspondent, however, visited the Post Office himself and had the felicity of setting the Post Office right on the matter. To be sure, there are no orders for 7/4, but spaces are provided for the affixing of stamps to make up odd amounts. Our correspondent demanded an order for 7/4, and got it, too. It is wonderful what a little firmness can do.

An Age of Luxury.

Commentators on existing social conditions are never weary of pointing out that, side by side with the most glaring poverty and distress in the United Kingdom, may be found luxury and extravagance in full bloom. The assertion is, of course, quite true, though how the circumstance can be altered under the present economic system it is hard to see. Anyhow, one thing is certain, and that is, that if poverty is increasing, so is the taste for what may be termed the unnecessary of life. This fact is well illustrated by the annual report just issued by the Postmaster General. We note, for instance, that whereas in 1908 there were 134,275 licences for men-servants taken out, in 1911 the number was 229,013. The licences for armorial bearings have leapt from 35,519 to 51,814; while for gamekeepers, in spite of the notorious "Form 4," there is an advance from 4,487 to 5,208. The most impressive figures, however, are those of motor-cars, the licences sold for which, in 1911, totalled 184,423 (representing a total tax of over two millions sterling) as against just over 5,000 in 1903. The present must indeed be written down as an age of luxury.

It is customary in re-printing matter from another newspaper to give the name of that paper. Where short items of general news are concerned it is perhaps hardly necessary to observe this custom with absolute strictness; and it rarely is so observed; but professional etiquette (we had almost said common honesty) demands that if exclusive information, editorial etc., are "clipped," the source should be acknowledged. For six weeks on end the leader in a Southern weekly paper was one reprinted from the "Hongkong Telegraph" without a word of acknowledgment; and more than one Northern paper has occasionally reprinted a whole column-article taken from the "Telegraph" on the same easy terms. A graver matter still, and one to which we are very loath to draw attention, is the amiable practice which certain local contemporaries have of borrowing news items from our columns and printing them as their own. If we were in the habit of doing the same thing by them we should have no room to complain; but as no member of the "Telegraph" staff is allowed, by the rules of this office, to copy, clip or rewrite items from any local paper, we may be said to have a legitimate grievance in this respect. Imitation may be a form of flattery, but we will willingly dispense with adulation of that sort.

For Consignees.

Consignees of cargo from the a.s. Bremen are asked to note that all goods remaining undelivered after to-day will be subject to rent.

DAY BY DAY.

The comfort which poor human beings want in such a world as this is not the comfort of ease, but the comfort of strength.

Indian Troops Arrive.

By the P. and O. steamer Himalaya there arrived yesterday from Bombay seven rank and file of the 25th Punjab and fifteen of the 26th Punjab.

Breath of Opium Ordinance.

A man with previous convictions was fined \$50, by Mr. F. A. Hazeland, at the Police Court, this morning, for an offence against the Opium Ordinance.

Leaving for Home.

Mr. W. L. Carter, who is the local Manager of the China and Japan Telephone and Electric Co. Ltd., leaves for home in April, via Siberia, on leave of absence.

Minnesota in Dry Dock.

The a.s. Minnesota is in dry dock for repairs and general overhaul. She is expected to leave the ways on or about February 23rd.

General Anderson Back.

Major General Anderson, who was called home last year owing to the tragic death of his son, returned to the Colony to-day by the Shinyo Maru.

Visitors.

Mr. G. Paterson and Lady Lowena Paterson have arrived in the colony, and intend visiting Macao and Canton during their short visit to the East.

Women Gamblers Fined.

Inspector Mollard, of Wand-chai, charged eight women, at the Police Court, this morning with gambling. One woman was fined \$100, and the remainder \$2 each.

Eighty Cases.

The list for hearing which came before Mr. Justice Gompertz in the Summary Court, this morning was something in the nature of a record, no fewer than eighty cases being in the list to be mentioned.

Stocktaking Sale.

We would draw our readers' attention to the fact that Messrs. Lane, Crawford and Co. are commencing their big stock-taking sale on Monday next. All departments are included, and big bargains may be had.

Dumping.

The dangerous practice of dumping rubbish in the public streets still prevails despite the many convictions of late. At the Police Court, this morning, Mr. F. A. Hazeland fined two women from West Point, \$7 each, or, in default, fourteen days for the offence.

Philippine Commissioner.

The Hon. Mr. E. Erskine, who is the Resident Commissioner of the Philippines, delegated to Washington, U.S.A., has arrived in the colony from America, and will remain in Hongkong until the arrival of his wife from Manila. He will then proceed through Europe to take up his duties in the States.

European's Servant Boy Convicted.

Before Mr. E. A. Hazeland, at the Police Court, this morning, Inspector Dymond, of West Point, charged a servant boy employed by Mr. Bamman, of Pokfulam, with the larceny of clothing. Some of the clothing was found in a pawnshop by the Police. Defendant was sent to goal for one month with hard labour.

Gun Practice.

Gun Practice will be carried out as follows:—4th proximo—From Mount Davis, in a W. to S.W. direction from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. 7th proximo—From Lower Belcher, in a N.W. to N. direction, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. 7th proximo—From Stonecutters, West, in a W. to S.W. direction, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sub-Calibre practice will be carried out as follows:—3rd and 6th proximo—From Pakelawan, in a N.E. to N. direction, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Interesting Lecture.

It is not often that the people of Hongkong are presented with the opportunity of hearing a lecture by so great a scholar as the Rev. G. B. Barry of Emmanuel Church, Plymouth. Last night at the Seamen's Institute Mr. Barry delivered a discourse of a very interesting nature on "The place of Great Britain in Bible History." The lecturer had the honour of successfully competing with the Right Hon. Augustine Birrell, the Secretary of State for Ireland, for literary honours at the University. The lecture last night was a great success.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

The Annual Prize Distribution.

The annual prize distribution in connection with Queen's College took place to-day. His Excellency the Governor, Sir Francis Henry May, presented the prizes, those attending included Lady May, Bishop Pozzoni, Capt. The Hon. Fitzroy Somerset, A.D.C. Sir Charles Eliot, Commander Basil Taylor R.N., Sr. J. J. Leiria (Portuguese Consul), Mr. E. A. Irving (Director of Education), Rev. Fr. Spada, Rev. H. B. Copley Moyle, Messrs. G. Piercy, A. Morris, W. Curwen, H. Sykes, Rev. Watson.

Head Master's Report.

Of the Head Master's Report for the Year ending 31st December, 1912, part is given and the remainder will appear to-morrow:—

Attendance.—Queen's College was open 230 days during the year ended 31st December, 1912, as against 221 in the preceding year. The maximum enrolment was 1040, of whom 623 were on our Register at the beginning of the year, while 426 were new boys. The average attendance in the Upper Classes was 313, Remove Classes was 183, and Lower Classes was 59. For the whole year, and covering the entire school, this gives an average daily attendance of 555: the corresponding figures in 1911 were 667—a decrease this year of 112. The prevalence of plague in 1912, we are told, was the worst year since 1894—and the unsettled condition of the neighbouring provinces owing to change in the form of government, mainly account for our reduced numbers.

Applicants Turned Away.—During the course of the year, we have actually turned away from 60 to 70 applicants for admission, many of them of known antecedents, in accordance with our age-clause, as being too old for the classes for which they were otherwise fit.

Staff.—Our staff consisted of 15 English Masters, 10 Local i.e. Anglo-Chinese Masters who give instruction in English subjects and take translation work, 5 Regular Vernacular Masters, 5 Visiting Vernacular Masters, and 10 Pupil Teachers. Owing to the appointment of an extra European Master in November 1911 (O.S.O. 5370/1911), we had one local master less than mentioned in the Estimates for 1912. This strengthening of the Staff is a distinct advantage.

Staff Changes.

The changes in the Staff during the year, owing to exigencies of leave and promotion, are shown on a separate table, which is appended (Table 7).

The Normal Master, Mr. Tanner, is his annual report to me, writes of the Pupil Teachers: "I must in the first place point out that owing to several promotions to assistant masterships, two leavers from plague, one resignation on account of ill-health, and two dismissals, more new appointments have been made during the year than usual, so that at the examination held in July there was no Third Year P.T. examined; one only had completed his Second Year of service, and of the rest—those taking First Year papers—not one had reached the end of a full year's service, some having signed articles as recently as four, three, and two months before the examination." Notwithstanding this, it gives me much pleasure to say that all the Pupil Teachers examined have done good work in the Class Room, and have done their best to benefit from instruction received in the Normal Class and at the Technical Institute, most of them showing quite a creditable amount of promise.

In the papers set at the annual examination in July, very satisfactory marks were obtained in most subjects by all candidates, the percentage of passes ranging from 75 to 100; the only poor papers sent in were those in Physical Geography, the percentage here obtained being only 25.

In Practical Teaching, also, the marks obtained (awarded by the Head Master) were very creditable; in two cases, as many as 120 marks being obtained out of a possible 150, while the most recently article P.T. received 60 passes, thus giving a percentage of 75.

Cost. The gross Revenue, Fees and Refunds, was \$32,777.52, the gross Expenditure, \$79,191.68,

proportion of Revenue to Expenditure, 41.39 percent., proportion for the last five years, 50.00 per cent. Cost per pupil in average attendance \$83.03; had Free Scholars and the Student Interpreters of the Registrar General's Department paid fees during the time of their actual stay in school, this item would have read \$78.88.

Table 4 shows that while the gross expenditure, owing to economies effected, was \$3,733 less than in 1911, the Revenue from Fees, owing to the drop in our attendance, showed a reduction of \$8,079. It is this loss of Fees alone which accounts for the increased annual average cost per scholar.

His Excellency on Marriage.

Before presenting the prizes His Excellency said:—My Lord Bishop, Mr. Dealy, Ladies and gentlemen:—The report which we have heard read may, I think, be regarded as fairly satisfactory. One of the outstanding features of it is one which might, by those who are not thoroughly well acquainted with the Institution, be considered an unsatisfactory feature; that is the very large falling off in the attendance. This is principally due to the abolition, in the year 1904, of the lower school. Just before that change was made the attendance reached 1055, and you have heard that last term it was only 555. The change has been made by the Government of set purpose, in order to erect this school into the position of practically an Upper School, and it is now the Upper School par excellence of the Colony. It therefore behoves all those in charge of it to use their utmost endeavour to make it worth of the position, and to carry out the object for which the school was thus reduced, and made into a smaller institution—the object being, of course, to fit boys to enter our newly established University. The results of the Oxford examination are not entirely satisfactory, and I must make a strong appeal to the staff, who have no doubt done their best; to do still better—to make an extra effort to do better next year. The attendance, of course, to which I have just referred, has been interrupted, and perhaps the work of the staff has been interrupted; during the last year, by extraordinary circumstances—plague which has been mentioned in the report, and the unrest which prevailed in this Colony and in the neighbouring provinces. Those are features which we must, in justice to the staff, take into consideration.

There is a feature in the report which is not entirely satisfactory to my mind, and this is the want of success achieved in athletics. There are some people, of course who, think boys go to school to learn as much as they can from books. Well, most of us Englishmen hold slightly different conceptions of what school life really ought to be. There is no better training ground for the character of boys than the playing fields of a large school; and I shall ask the headmaster to allow those masters of the staff, who are in charge of the athletic department, to come and talk the matter over with me at Government House. I know of what value such training is in inculcating discipline, and, what is one of the offsprings of discipline, a sense of justice and fair play, and we shall see if we can't encourage a larger number of boys to take part in the athletics with a beneficial result to the record of the school in that department. On the other hand, I am very glad to see from the report that very large use is made of the library in the school. Every boy who has learned enough English to read English books, has very great reason to be thankful for English literature is one of the richest in the world, and any boy who can read literature which the English language offers, is indeed fortunate.

There is only one other point which I may, I think, notice—it is really one which makes the Western person like myself smile—and that is the average age of the candidates for marriage, or rather, of those who obtained leave of absence in order to get married. We learn it is seventeen years of age. Well now, I can assure you, as a person of some experience, that a boy of seventeen years of age has not the

experience to regulate his own conduct properly, let alone the regulation of that of a wife (loud laughter). It is no easy matter to regulate a wife (laughter). If you want advice—I don't know if you do want it—I should not let you Chinese youths to imitate the men of the West, in this matter—and to defer marriage until you have had really enough experience of the world to undertake the heavy responsibilities married life. I am quite sure that is sound advice.

Congratulate the College, I am glad to say on its success at the Canton Examinations and also at the examinations at the Hongkong University (Applause). We are all proud of the records made by this College in the past, and I feel certain that the College has a brilliant future before it. But the records of the past can only be continued in the brilliant colour in which they have been written by strenuous and persistent efforts on the part, not only of the staff, but of the students, and I ask all of you students to remember that every day you are in school you should do your best to do justice not only to the staff who are teaching you, and your parents or guardians who are paying for your instruction, but to the school itself whose name you should honour and to whose name you should endeavour in your future life always to do credit.

His Excellency then presented the following students with their prizes:—

Scholarships.
Class 1:—Senior Morrison, Li Tsok-lun; Stewart, Lo Hing-shing; Senior Bellios, F. Eli; Blake, Ho Nai-shun; Wright, Ling Man-lai.

Class 2:—Ho Tung, Pun In-tat; Ho Kom-tong, Ng Ka-chung.

Class 3:—Junior Bellios, Chow Sik-kwan; Ho Fook, Tang Shu-sham.

Class 4:—Junior Morrison, Mok Chan-ki; Alfred May, Fok Hon-fai; Government Scholarships:—1. Kwa Ho-ching, 2. Lo Man-hin, 3. Ferreira G., 4. Tsang Kwai-wing, 5. Chu Shiu-chi.

Special Prizes.
Pupil Teachers, Tso Yik-fong; Vachel Memorial, Ellis F.; Special Translation, E. to C. Ho Nai-shun; C. to E. Li Tsok-lun. History:—Class 1A, Wong Tin-tai; B, Zavier, M.A.; A, Lo Chun-yui; B, Arab A. 63 per cent.; C, Arculli E. 66 per cent. Class 2A, Pan In-tat; 2B, Lam Tsung; 2C, not awarded; 2D, Cheung Tak-wing 68 per cent.; Class 3A, Lo Oi-man; B, Sham Wai-chung; C, Wong Tsz-kin, 63 per cent.; D, Leung Sui-shang; E, Lam Yam.

Composition:—1A, A. H. Rum-jahn; B, F. Ellis, A. E. Moos-deon B, Fong Man-sui; C, E. Arculli; 2A, Pan In-tat; B, Lam Tsung; C, Arculli Omar; D, not awarded; 3A, Chow Sik-kwan; B, D'Almada e Castro, J.M.; C, Hassan Ismail 65 per cent; D, Leung Sui-shang; E, Lai Nim-63 per cent.

Class Prizes.
Class 1A: 1, So Cheuk-pan, 2, Wong Tin-tai; 3, F. Ellis, 2, Lai Hing-on; 1A, 1, Ho Tsun-yuen, 2, Lo Chun-yui; 1B, 1, Fong Man-sui, 2, Woo Hang-on; 1C, 1, E. Arculli, 2, She Shu-tat.

Class 2A, 1, Chang Shung-ling, 2, Tam Yam-kin; 2B, 1, Lam Tsung, 2, Tsang Man-kwai; 2C, 1, Sin I-kun, 2, Lam Cheuk-kai; 2D, 1, Ngan Shai-leung, 2, Cheung Tak-wing; 3A, 1, Fong Wing-sui, 2, Siu Ho-ming; 3B, 1, Fok Tat-fai, 2, Sham Wai-chung; 3C, 1, Lam Kwok-teiu, 2, Hassan Ismail; 3D, 1, Leung Shiu-shang, 2, Chung King-pui; 3E, 1, Cheung Tso-in, 2, Lai Nam-sang; 4A, 1, Cheung Pui-tsit, 2, Hung Fan-kai; 4B, 1, Chan Yik-sat, 2, Hui Kwok-leung; 4C, 1, Ling Tsang, 2, Chau Kwok-wing; 5A, 1, Wong Yu-lau, 2, Chau Man-chung; 5B, 1, Chan Niu-lun, 2, Lau Chip-fui; 6A, 1, Leung Yan-hang, 2, Leung Man-fuk; 6B, 1, Siu Tsok-mui, 2, Chan In-chun; 7, 1, Lau Ka-tat, 2, Chan Tsung-ying; 8, 1, Tso Chan-po, 2, Kwok Shing-kin.

At the conclusion, His Excellency announced the commencement of the school holidays to-day, and after wishing them a pleasant holiday, stated that the school would re-open on March 3. Cheers were called for His Majesty the King, for His Excellency, for Lady May, and for the headmaster, which were responded to with gusto.

SPECIAL CABLES.

UNREST AT WUCHANG.

TROUBLE WITH DISBANDED TROOPS.

[Our Own Correspondent].
Shanghai, January 31.
Disbanded troops are at present creating unrest in Wuchang.

THE SEXTUPLE LOAN.

ALMOST SETTLED.

Shanghai, January 31.
It is announced that the loan to China by the Sextuple Group is on the point of settlement.

DANGEROUS THIEF.

Tried to Escape from Cell and Dock.

Last night a man detained in the Police Station at West Point damaged his cell in an attempt to escape but was captured by Sergeant Adlington. At the Police Court, this morning, whilst waiting for trial, he made an attempt to jump from the dock and again fell foul of Sergeant Adlington. The original charge against him was that of the larceny of a watch.

Inspector Dymond said the man was detected removing the panels from the witness room in which he was detained. Had these been removed, he would have escaped; and, he formerly lived at one address for twelve months but the principal tenant said he did not know anything about him; she never saw any stalls or baskets with him. The occupier where he lived now said he did not know what defendant did for a living and he had never seen him hawking. "I really believe," added the Inspector, "the hawking licence he has is meant as a blind to the police."

Sergeant Adlington said that yesterday at 7.30 p.m. he visited the cells at No. 7 Police Station and found the defendant picking away the side panels of the door. On opening the cell he found the two pieces of wood, produced, removed from the side and bottom. He was the only person in the cell. He (witness) then took the man into the charge room and charged him with doing damage to his cell to the extent of \$1.

Defendant:—He did not see me.

His Worship:—No, but he saw this damage, and you were the only person in the cell.

Defendant:—Another man was put in the cell.

Sergeant Adlington:—No one was put in the cell except the prisoner. He tried to escape from the dock this morning.

His Worship:—Did you try to escape from the dock this morning?

Defendant:—No.

Sergeant Adlington:—He did, your Worship; that is why he had to be chained to the bars.

His Worship:—What about the larceny of the watch?

Defendant:—I was chased by a constable for assault and gave him the watch.

A witness for the defence said he knew the man to be a hawker.

His Worship:—There is a conflict of evidence but I think there is sufficient for me to convict this man. I think he had better be put in the stocks to-day, and he had better be banished. Oh; he is a Hongkong man.

Inspector Dymond:—We will make enquiries on that point your Worship.

His Worship:—For the larceny of the watch one month's imprisonment and four hours' stocks. In reference to his doing damage to the cell and attempting to escape he will go to goal for one month with hard labour, the sentences to run consecutively.

Lost Junk.

The vicinity of the wreck of the junk which foundered two miles S. 55 degree E. of Tungsha Lightship after collision with the steamer Chennan, has been carefully swept over a large area by the R. O. Lushington, but no trace of the junk has been found. As the junk was a small one, and badly damaged in the collision, it seems probable that she had broken up and drifted out of the fairway.

THE TABLES TURNED.

P.W.D. Accused of Obstruction.

At the Police Court this morning, before Mr. Hazeland, the P.W.D. prosecuted a coolie for stealing a quantity of broken granite, the property of the P.W.D. from near the City Hall. A contractor's foreman was also charged for aiding and abetting. Mr. Perkins, of the P.W.D., had the case in hand, and Mr. F.B.L. Bowley defended the foreman.

The charge against the coolie was withdrawn; and in answer to Mr. Bowley, Mr. Perkins admitted that the pile of stones was allowed to remain in the road for two months.

Mr. Bowley—What right have you to cause an obstruction on the King's highway?

Mr. Perkins—That is not a part of the charge, is it, your Worship?

The question was not allowed.

Mr. Bowley—The first defendant is carrying out a public duty in removing an obstruction from the King's highway. For that he is charged with larceny.

His Worship—He is not charged with larceny now.

In reply to further questions, Mr. Perkins admitted that an obstruction had been caused.

Mr. Bowley—Don't you owe a debt of gratitude to this poor coolie for removing the obstruction?

Mr. Perkins—I am not blaming the coolie at all.

Mr. Bowley—Not blaming him! Yet you keep him imprisoned for three weeks!

Mr. Bowley asked that the foreman should be discharged. He was said to have aided and abetted a larceny, but there had been no larceny.

The case was further remanded.

OFFENSIVE CHINESE NEWSPAPER.

Fined for Failing to Register.

This morning, in the Police Court, before Mr. Hazeland, two Chinese were charged for failing to have registered the newspaper "San Shu Nin Lai Pi Yat Po" ("The New Young Men's Sunday Journal"). Mr. P.M. Hodgson, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, and Mr. J. H. Gardiner, and Mr. E. Davidson, of Messrs. Hastings and Hastings, defended.

Mr. Gardiner stated that his client was the proprietor of the paper, and he pleaded guilty.

The charge against Mr. Davidson's client having been withdrawn, Mr. Gardiner submitted that there had been no intention on the part of the other man to avoid registration. The paper was formerly issued daily and when it was changed to weekly the necessary formalities were not complied with.

A Boycott Cartoon.

Mr. Hodgson intimated that he must press the case. The paper was rather an offensive one, and his Worship would see from the copy produced that there was a cartoon in connection with the recent tramway boycott.

A fine of \$25 was imposed.

POOR PRISON FARE.

Defendant Who Wanted "Something Solid".

An aged, English-speaking Chinese was charged at the Police Court this morning, before Mr. Melbourne, with being a vagrant. His defence was that he did odd shipping jobs, whereupon his Worship ordered that he be remanded in police custody.

Defendant:—If I am to be remanded in police custody, your Worship, I should like some better food. The only food I have had is a loaf of bread and a small packet of sugar a day.

Are you going to keep me on the same sort of food? If so, it is rather hard. Can't I have some beef steak or something solid?

His Worship:—You ask the Inspector and that will be all right.

Defendant:—That's no good; I don't think he will give it me.

Defendant was removed in custody.

Another F. R. C. I.

Mr. H. F. May, late General Manager of the Sarawak Collieries, has just been elected a Fellow of the Royal Colonial Institute.

LOCAL SPORT.

Cricket.

The following will represent the Civil Service Cricket Club v. Craigengower C. C. at 2 p.m. on the Craigengower ground to-morrow:

R. E. O. Bird, R. O. Hutchison, F. A. Birt, R. C. Witchell, H. A. Cox, E. B. Reed, H. Poole, E. M. Hamilton, A. O. Brown, P. Jacks, H. Foster.

HOCKEY.

Hongkong Club v. Y.M.C.A. The Y.M.C.A. hockey team again met the Hongkong Club in a friendly game at Happy Valley last evening. Both clubs had fairly strong teams out and the game ended in favour of the Club by 7 goals to 3. The Club forwards again showed much cleverness.

Mr. F. G. White acted as referee.

BOXING.

Facts About Local Boxers.

It must not be forgotten that the booking for the boxing tournament on Saturday night, presented by Mr. "Nobby" Hall, has commenced, and that the plan of seats can be seen and tickets purchased at Moutrie's. It is believed in some quarters that Powell will beat Stevens, but before this can be decided, the fight must take place and the verdict awarded to Powell. There is no doubt the Powell is a good man and that he possesses an honest reputation, but in the case of Stevens he has proved conclusively to the fans of Hongkong that he can go on almost faultlessly and that he has something behind his punches. The best testimony to this is the way he lifted the hefty Scott from his feet with body punches that could be heard crashing into his stomach, at the furthest end of the theatre. Powell, too, possesses more than a canny kick, and, if quick with his uppercuts he might very well change the ring programme of the ducking Stevens. Anyhow, both men seem to have their hands fairly full to win this contest and there should be a fight worth watching as the result of their meeting.

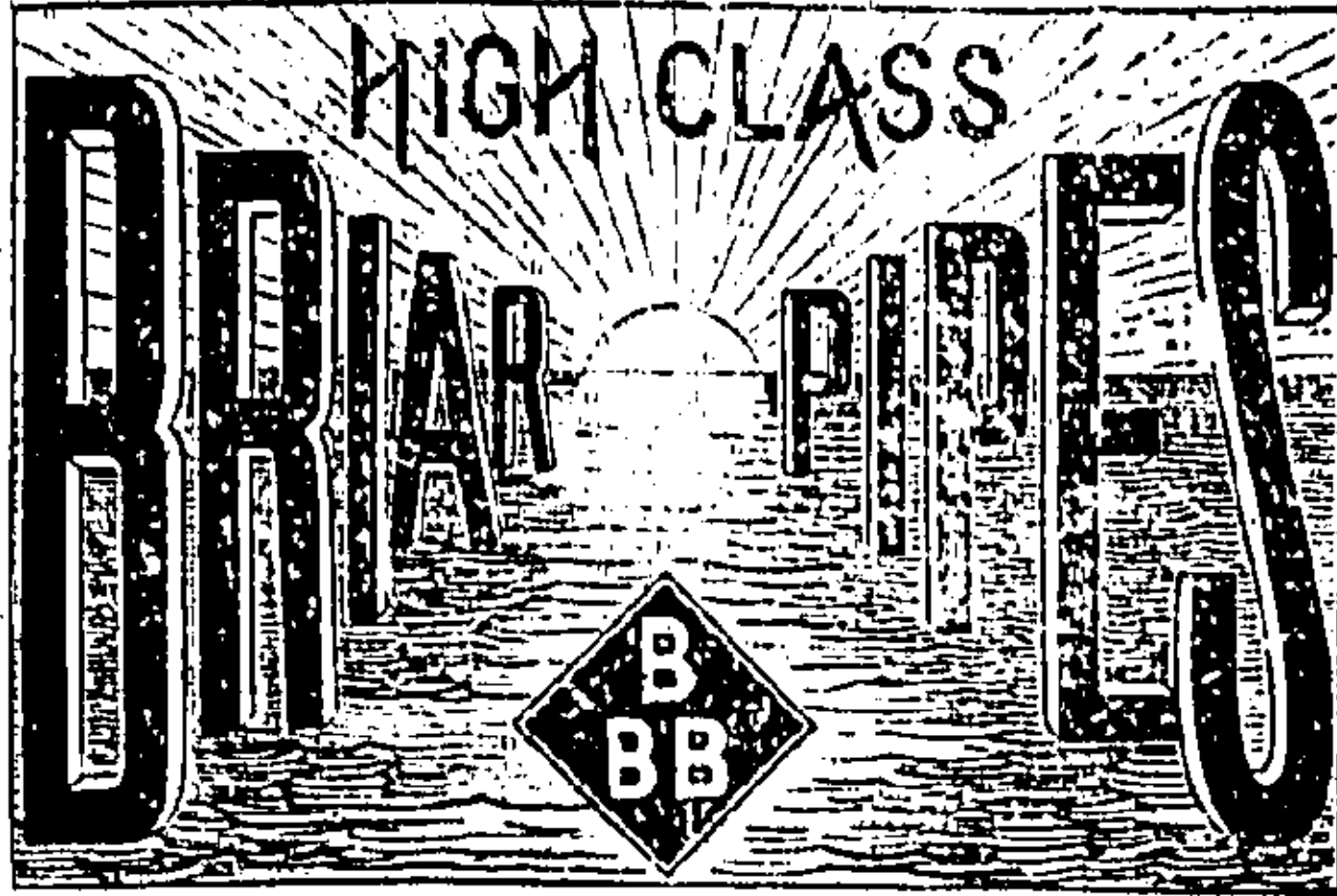
Cordell Getting Fit.

Jack Cordell was busy last night at the V.R.C. getting himself ready for all comers, no-one barred. He is feeling in the pink just now and he has a big fight in view. Last night Cordell was accommodated by Jack Forbes for three rounds and the latter boxed brilliantly. Of course Cordell was not out for many excursions with his right and only mildly played with the left, but nevertheless he stopped a good many more with his head and jaw than the writer would care to cater for gratuitously. The sparring was really clever and Forbes did not forget to hit. Afterwards Harry Kelly, of the Grand Hotel, went four good rounds with Cordell and it was evident that Kelly had not lost any of his old dash. He was quick to cover, nippy at side-stepping, fast in his return, and unerring with his leads. He had something to push about when he sparred with his brother American and once when he scored as many points as Cordell thought fit, the latter stopped him with neat reminder to the chin which was accepted with all the good nature that it was delivered with. Kelly, too, has a fight in view, and the fact that he has such a clever man to train with should do him all the good in the world.—Xaverian.

Seaman "Nobby" Grant to Fight Cordell.

We have been informed by Mr. Kelly, of the Grand Hotel, that late this afternoon arrangements have been made by cable for Seaman "Nobby" Grant of H.M.S. Flora, now at Shanghai to fight Cordell for the Championship of the Orient and the Pacific Coast, in Hongkong on February 15.

The meeting of these two fighters has been looked forward to by the sportsmen of the Colony for some time as it is believed that Grant is the superior man of the two.



POUCHES, CIGAR &
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OPPOSITE THE NEW POST OFFICE.

THEFT OF \$11,700.

Did Not Know How Much He was Taking.

A Chinese named Li Kwai, a foki in the Wing Kee ship chandler shop, was charged before Mr. Melbourne this morning with stealing \$11,700 in notes from the safe in the shop. Detective Sergt. Appleton prosecuted.

Asked if he was guilty, defendant said:—I took the whole parcel. I didn't know how much was it.

His Worship—Have you got it all back?

Detective Appleton—All except \$200, your Worship. We found it sewed up in a quilt on his bed. I would like your Worship to deal with the case yourself, as the firm want the money for China New Year.

His Worship asked the officer to explain the case. The latter stated that on the night of 28th the cashier placed \$11,700 in the safe in banknotes. In the morning he found it missing. It was thought the defendant opened the safe with a duplicate key, as the safe was not damaged. On Thursday afternoon he (Sergt. Appleton) found the notes sewn up in a quilt in the defendant's house in Graham Street. The defendant had been in the employ of the firm for about five years.

His Worship (to defendant)—What did you want to take it for?

Defendant—I did not know there was so much in it. When I found there was so much, I dared not look at it again.

Detective Appleton—He offered me the lot if I would say nothing.

Asked what had become of the \$200, defendant said he did not know. He had not taken any out of the parcel.

Defendant was sentenced to six months' imprisonment and four hours' stocks.

Japanese Aviation Record.

On the 21st instant, says the "Japan Chronicle," aviation exercises were conducted by the Military Aviation Corps at the aviation ground at Tokorozawa, near Tokyo, with great success. Lieutenant Kimura with two assistants rose 500 feet and travelled 7,280 metres in 8 minutes. This is the best performance in Japan up to date.

DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY.

Hughes Comedy Coy Victoria Theatre 9 p.m.

Bijou, 9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Hughes Comedy Coy, Victoria Theatre, 9 p.m.

Bijou, 9.15 p.m.

Boxing, City Hall, 9 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 3.

Lady May at the Bellios School.

H.K. Gymkhana Club Meeting.

Jockey Club room. H.K. Club Annex, 5.15.

Distribution of Prizes C. M. S. Girls High School.

Saturday, Feb. 8.

Philharmonic Society Concert, Theatre Royal.

Humphreys Estates and Finance Co. Meeting.

Monday, Feb. 10.

Kowloon Land and Building Co. Meeting.

Died of Enteric.

Captain Trotter, 56th Rifles, Frontier Force, has died at Rawalpindi of enteric. He had only returned from twelve months' home leave at the beginning of December. He was 33 years of age at the time of his death.

The S.S. Dusit.

The Dusit reached Bangkok from Singapore, a few days back, after an adventurous voyage during which she battled through the fierce storm which recently raged down the coast. The Dusit has before now been through rough weather while on her 10,000 mile trip from England, but never has she had so bad a trip as her last one to Singapore with a cargo of rice. Good seamanship brought her through, but the experience was a trying one to all on board. Huge seas broke continuously over the small craft and the superficial damage on the decks was considerable.

To-day's Advertisements

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM EUROPE, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship

"HITACHI MARU," having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before Noon, to-day.

Goods not cleared by the 7th Feb. will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Co.'s representatives at an appointed hour. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA, Agents. 4, Hongkong, 31st Jan. 1913. [145]

NOTICE.

THE SHANGHAI LIFE INSURANCE CO. LTD.

AS MR. WONG FO CHUN is retiring from business, the Hong Kong Agency from 1st February 1913 will be in charge of

J. F. EDA DA SILVA General Agent.

Hongkong 1st February 1913 [147]

CHINA NEW YEAR HOLIDAY.

In accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1912 the EXCHANGE BANKS will be closed for the transaction of Public Business on THURSDAY the 6th proximo.

Hongkong, 31st Jan. 1913. [148]

LOST.

LOST—A LADIES SOLITAIRE DIAMOND RING between the Kowloon Ferry Building, Kowloon, and Kowloon Terrace (H.K.) Finder will be rewarded on returning same to this Office.

Hongkong, 31st Jan. 1913 [149]

DAIRY FARM NEWS.

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OUTWARD.	HOMEWARD.
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" SILESIA, 15th Feb.	For Marseilles, Bremen, H. & Antwerp: S.S. GOLDENFELS, 10th Feb.
" SUEVIA, 15th Feb.	For Havre, Rotterdam, Bremen & Hamburg: S.S. BALSAR, 8th March.
" SPEZIA, 26th Feb.	For Marseilles, Bremen & Hamburg: S.S. BELGRAVIA, 15th March.
" SCANDIA, 10th March.	For Havre, Bremen & Hamburg: S.S. O. J. D. AHLERS, 16th March.
" SITHONIA, 23rd March.	For Vancouver & Portland (Or.): S.S. SITHONIA, 22nd March.
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ruary at noon, taking cargo at current rates.EASTWARD.
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LOG BOOK.

To Man the Kongo.

Over 500 men to be sent to London to man the battle cruiser "Kongo" now being built there are being trained for the service at Yokosuka. They are to leave by the N.Y.K. steamer "Atsuta-maru," which is leaving Yokohama on the 12th proximo under command of Commander Tanaka.

Fire on O.S.K. Boat.
Further details of the fire on the O.S.K. steamer Mexico Maru, which arrived at Yokohama on January 13, state that the fire broke out in No. 2 hold on January 2. The hold was battened down and steam injected, but on removing the hatches five days later the fire was found to be still burning. The hatches were battened down again until the 13th when, as the flames had not been subdued, water was pumped into the hold.

The Izumi.
The cruiser Izumi recently condemned was disposed of by public auction recently at Yokosuka, when she fetched ¥9,075. The successful bidder was Mr. Matanye Umekichi, of Nagasaki, and the vessel was delivered to him on the 18th instant. The 3rd class coast defence boat "Katsuragi" (1,478 tons), now lying at Sasebo, is to be condemned at the end of the present fiscal year, and she is now being dismantled. The vessel was built at Yokosuka in March 1885.

Proposed Extension of the Kawasaki Dock Yard.
Recently the Kawasaki Dockyard, Kobe, applied for a charter to construct a large breakwater in the harbour of Hyogo and build three floating docks, but as this scheme was considered by Government to amount to a monopoly in the use of the harbour, the application was not granted. The Kawasaki Dockyard has now devised a scheme to build floating docks off Fukui, east of the New Ikuta-gawa, and filed an application for a charter for the construction of a breakwater and for the reclamation of the seafloor to an extent of 2,250 taubo.

Coal Loading at Karatsu.
Another record has been made in loading coal at the port of Karatsu, says the "Japan Chronicle." The S.S. "Robert Dollar" started loading on Friday (17th inst.) at 9 a.m., and completed her cargo and bunkers at noon on Sunday (19th inst.), taking in all about 8,500 tons. On Saturday (18th inst.) she loaded about 4,300 tons from 8 a.m. till 5 p.m., which is the most ever put on board a ship in the port during ordinary working hours. There were some 1,000 coolies employed. The cargo was loaded by the Mitsui Bishi Co. for and on account of the Robert Dollar Co. for San Francisco. Messrs. John P. Carr & Co. of Karatsu are now appointed the local agents for the Robert Dollar Company.

Anti-fouling Compositions.
We are informed the H.M.S. "Goliath" has recently docked at Chatham, when the result of two new anti-fouling compositions, made by rival firms, was ascertained. Both compositions were of green colour, and of somewhat heavier consistency than usual, and they were both calculated to outlast the heavy grease compositions which are still favoured in certain quarters. These two compositions were first applied to the "Goliath" in Malta, nearly four years ago. Some 18 months later, she was re-docked in England, and both compositions were again applied in May, 1910. Since that time, the vessel has been afloat for two years, and four months, and when she docked the bottom was in comparatively good condition. (Shipping Gazette.)

Hansa Motor Steamer.
Owners of the largest fleet of steamers calling at Colombo, the "Hansa" are adding materially to their tonnage by the addition of about a dozen ships, most of all of which will probably be put on the run to the East. Information has just been received in Colombo that the Company have just had completed for them a motor steamer, named the "Rondansek," capable of accomplishing 14 knots an hour. The latest new vessel of the fleet to call in Colombo was "Kandelele," while the next will probably be

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CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 3rd prox., will be subject to rent. All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 25th prox., or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 3rd prox., at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DODWELL & CO., LTD.

Agents.

Hongkong, 27th Jan., 1913. [138]

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THE Steamship

"KOREA."

FROM SAN FRANCISCO, JAPAN PORTS AND MANILA.

The above mentioned vessel having arrived Consignees of cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and take immediate delivery of cargo from alongside. Cargo impeding discharge will be landed immediately at consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after THURSDAY Jan., 30th, 1913, at noon will be landed at consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining undelivered TUESDAY Feb., 4th, 1913, at noon will be subject to landing and storage charges. No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

All chafed and otherwise damaged cargo will be examined at the above Company's godown Feb., 3rd, 1913 at 10 a.m.

No claims will be entertained unless accompanied by short delivery note or list of exceptions taken at the time of delivery to consignees and sign for and on behalf of the Pacific Mail S.S. Co. All claims must be filed on or before Feb., 28th 1913, otherwise they will not be recognised.

FRED J. HALTON,

Agent.

Hongkong, 28th Jan., 1913. [140]

Astor House.

Allen, Miss D. Lathrop, B.
 Arnold, J. B. Leon, B.
 Bandet, Mme. Lingeri, Mrs. L.
 Birot, L. Lugebill, V.
 Brun, Mrs. C. L. Lyon, Mrs. W.
 Brun, C. L. S.
 Byan, M. Mansfield, Miss J.
 Canto, P.
 Chambers, Miss L. Miller, A. C.
 Chenu, F. V. Miles, Mr. and
 Chopard, F. A. Mrs. C. S.
 Clarke, Miss A. L. Morgan, F. E.
 Cornellsen, Mullor, W. H. G.
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THE SORE THROAT SEASON.

Sore throat is the complaint of the hour.

The existing weather conditions lower the vitality, thus rendering the body liable to be attacked by the germs which produce sore throat.

Everyone knows the pain in speaking and swallowing, as well as the general feeling of illness and distress sore throat produces, just as everyone fears that it may lead to tonsillitis or such serious diseases as diphtheria, scarlet fever, measles, etc. which begin in this way.

Moreover, sore throat is a catching complaint, and hitherto, when one member of the family had got it, others were attacked, so that it frequently ran through the house.

"No ailments," as that well-known medical writer, Dr. Andrew Wilson, has stated in one of his books, "are more painful and annoying than those affecting the throat, nor are there any in which it is more difficult by means of ordinary remedies to reach the parts affected," for no gargle can get to the back of the throat and destroy the germs producing the disease, although it is there that they lodge and multiply.

Vivid Medical Testimony.

Now, Science has discovered in Wulff's Formamint a substance which, harmless in itself, is so powerful that when one of these pleasant-tasting throat tablets is sucked, it saturates the saliva with the most potent germ-destructor known to Science. As this saliva is swallowed, it gets into every nook and cranny of the throat, and destroys all germs with which it comes into contact.

Over seven thousand physicians have written in praise of Wulff's Formamint. Its value is attested by a doctor, who writes in "The Practitioner": "Having tried all the British Pharmacopoeia lozenges, and most of the proprietary antiseptic lozenges, I have become reduced to one, and only one (for sore throat), namely, Wulff's Formamint."

A Physician's Sole Remedy. So effective is Formamint, that Dr. Paul Rosenberg, a celebrated physician of Berlin, declares categorically: "I have put aside every other form of treatment but Wulff's Formamint for cases of sore throat."

Wulff's Formamint not only cures throat complaints but it also prevents them, for it destroys their germs before they can infect the body. On this subject, a physician writes: "As a preventive of germ diseases, Wulff's Formamint has probably no rivals."

A doctor writes in "The General Practitioner": "I commend this line of treatment (by Wulff's Formamint) with the utmost confidence, as being painless and pleasant, perfectly harmless, provably bactericidal, and easily carried out at any time, by any person and under any circumstances."

Write for a Free Booklet. To obtain these beneficial results, you must use Wulff's Formamint and nothing but Wulff's Formamint. It is used by some of the most distinguished men and women in England. The Hon. Mrs. Alfred Lyttelton, the wife of the Rt. Hon. Alfred Lyttelton, M.P., Home Secretary in the last English Conservative Government, writes: "I always keep a bottle of Wulff's Formamint Tablets in the house, as I think them excellent for sore throat."

The success of Wulff's Formamint has induced many worthless imitations to be put on the market. If you are offered substitutes which are said to be "just as good," refuse them, for nothing is "just as good" as Wulff's

Dessel, M. Musso, F.
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 Elbey, Miss Orris, Mrs. F. K.
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 Egidio, M. P. Powell, J. D.
 Mrs. P. Reiter, Albert
 Eysine, Z. P. Silva, J. F. Eca
 Foinstein, B. da
 Francois, Ch. Sommers, Mr.
 Garner, U. L. and Mrs. A.
 Guzman, C. Treville, R. de
 Hodges, Mrs. W. Vack, Mr. and
 S. Mrs.
 Juster, W. Williamson, O.
 Lapicque, Mr. J.
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THE GENTLEMEN'S HOUSE.

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STOCKTAKING SALE.

JANUARY 30TH TO FEBRUARY 5TH.

A REAL GENUINE CASH SALE.

THE FIRST SINCE WE STARTED BUSINESS.

This is not an Annual Sale.

We are offering High Class Goods at a Special Reduction for Cash only.

WE DESIRE TO DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO OUR SPECIAL REDUCTIONS

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SHIRTS, COLLARS, TIES, SOCKS, BOOTS, SHOES, FELT HATS, STRAW HATS, CLOTH HATS.

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THE LEEDS FORGE CO., LTD., LEEDS.

Specialists in the Manufacture of RAILWAY ROLLING STOCK of every description. Pioneers in the Design and Manufacture of PRESSED STEEL UNDERFRAMES and BOGIES and ALL STEEL RAILWAY WAGONS.

The Undersigned have been appointed Sole Agents in Hongkong and China.

THE TAIKOO DOCKYARD & ENGINEERING CO. OF HONGKONG, LTD.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Hongkong, 23rd September, 1911.

TIFFINS! DINNERS!!

\$1 THE BEST IN HONGKONG. SPECIAL MONTHLY TERMS \$1 FOR FULL OR PARTIAL BOARD.

OUR BREAD, CAKES AND SCONES, ARE ACKNOWLEDGED TO BE PAR EXCELLENCE.

ALEXANDRA CAFE CO.

Formamint. It—and it alone—has received the endorsement of the medical profession. A physician has written that he "has tried six substitutes and found not one of them efficacious."

Wulff's Formamint is sold by all Chemists, in bottles of fifty tablets. Write to-day to Messrs. A. Wulff & Co., 6, Kiukiang Road, Shanghai, mentioning this paper, and they will be pleased to send you a copy of a Free Booklet, written by a London physician, dealing with sore throat.

COMMERCIAL.

Seremban Tin Mining.

The report of the Seremban Tin Mining Company, Ltd., for the year ended 30th September last, to be presented to the meeting on the 30th ult., states that the net profits for the year have been £1,718, which, together with the amount brought forward, makes a total of £3,715. During the year dividends amounting to £900 have been declared, leaving a balance forward of £2,815. The directors regret to report the death during the year of Mr. W. J. Clarke, the Company's auditor, and they have since appointed Mr. E. A. Skinner, manager of Messrs. Barclay and Co.'s Bank, Redruth.

Plantation Rubber Averages. With the inclusion of the average price for plantation rubber at the sale just ended Dec. 24, our table gives a complete record of the course of prices during the past year. The average at the last sale was 6s. 3d. per lb., as against 4s. 11d. a

year ago, working out at 4s. 7d. per lb., against 5s. 0d. for 1911. The decline in price has been gradual, and the fact that it represents no more than 5d. for the whole year is a testimony to the persistence of the demand for rubber, especially when it is remembered that the total disposed of at the sales amounted to 17,657 tons, as against 9,457 tons in 1911, or nearly double (Financial Times).

Ceylon Rubber Exports. Official statistics of the rubber exports of Ceylon during September, as published in the "Bard of Trade Journal," show that a total of 1,493,700 lbs. of rubber were exported during that month, as against 831,800 lbs. in the corresponding month of 1911. Of this amount 782,600 lbs. were exported to the United Kingdom 526,800 lbs. to the United States and 184,300 lbs. to other countries, which compares with 454,300 lbs., 206,100 lbs. and 171,400 lbs. respectively for 1911. The total exports from January-September of last year amounted to 9,805,900 lbs. divided up as to the United Kingdom 5,489,300 lbs., the United States 3,012,300 lbs., and other countries 1,304,200 lbs.

Para Rubber—A Declaration of War. The National Congress of Brazil by its vote of 2702,000 for the purpose of encouraging the settlement of labourers in the rubber districts has taken the first practical step towards protecting the great industry of that country from the serious attack on its position, which is menaced by the planting industry. This may be taken to be the first result of Dr.

Huber's report, on his visit to the East, wherein he addressed to the State of Para some very strong warnings indeed. Despite the brave complexion which the Governor of Para tried to put on matters, there is no doubt that the Government and those interested in rubber are thoroughly aroused to the danger which threatens the industry. There can be no doubt that the step which they are taking is the most practical one they could adopt at the present moment, but whether it will result in any material reduction in the cost of labour is very problematic. We do not think any labour can be attracted to the rubber forests by less pay than is offered at present; and the Government will, we fear, be driven ultimately, to the step which it shirks at present, namely the abolition of the export tax, if it wishes to save any part of the industry.—(T. of Ceylon).

London Rubber Market. The East Asiatic Company's Daily Report for Jan. 22 says:—The market in London yesterday was quiet and unchanged. The closing prices were:—Hard fine Para spot 4/5 1/2, Hard fine Para forward 4/5 1/2, First latex crepe, delivery next three months 4/5 1/2.

Singapore Rubber Auction. The Singapore Chamber of Commerce Rubber Association's seventy-first auction was held on the 21st inst. There was offered for sale 421 cases (pols. 429.15 or 57,220 lbs.) and sold 392 cases (pols. 408.21 or 54,428 lbs.) The prices realised were:—Sheet Smoked 228 to 237, Sheet Unsmoked 228 to 237, Crepe No. 1 228 to 245.

200 220
 186 191
 160
 170 201
 154 185

F.M.S. Tin Exports Figures for 1912.

The F.M.S. Government Gazette gives the following statistics of tin exported from the F.M.S. during 1912, the figures being, however, subject to revision on receipt of the annual return from upper Perak:—

Total Tin.	1912.	1911.
Pols.	Pols.	Pols.
Perak	477,240	437,339
Selangor	255,381	231,174
N. Sembilan	20,070	29,230
Pahang	51,778	43,954
Total	813,472	741,698

Value (in Singapore).

	1912.	1911.
Perak	40,352,608	41,105,821
Selangor	28,394,756	21,724,432
N. Sembilan	2,038,021	2,750,110
Pahang	5,378,456	4,129,974
Total	81,233,753	69,710,338

Total Duty.

	1912.	1911.
Perak	6,463,112	5,270,081
Selangor	3,513,142	2,822,867
N. Sembilan	300,428	355,848
Pahang	474,436	368,086
Total	10,850,120	8,816,764

Public Companies

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT
COMPANY, LTD

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Green Island Cement Company Limited will be held at the office of Messrs. Shewan Tomes & Co. at St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong on Wednesday the 12th day of February 1913 at 12 o'clock noon when the following Resolutions which were passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 25th day of January 1913 will be submitted for confirmation as special Resolutions.

(1) That the Memorandum of Agreement bearing date the nineteenth day of April 1912 and made between Joseph Whitley Noble, the Hon. Mr. Edward Osborne and the Honourable Mr. Henry Edward Lolluck (Members of the Committee appointed by the Shareholders of the Green Island Cement Company Limited at the Annual General Meeting of that Company held on the twenty fifth day of March 1911) of the one part and Shewan Tomes & Co. in their capacity of General Managers of the Green Island Cement Company Limited of the other part as supplemented by a letter bearing date the eighth day of May 1912 and addressed by the said Shewan Tomes & Co. as such General Managers as aforesaid to the above named Members of the above mentioned Committee and by the letter of such members in answer thereto bearing date the 14th day of May 1912, be and the same be hereby ratified and confirmed by the Shareholders of the said Company.

(2) That the regulations contained in the copy of the proposed new Articles of Association of the Green Island Cement Company Limited (which for the purpose of identification have been subscribed by Messrs. Shewan Tomes & Co. as General Managers of such Company, and which may be inspected by any Shareholder of the said Company at the Offices of the said General Managers at St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, or at the Offices of Messrs. Deacon Looker Deacon and Harston at No. 1, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria aforesaid, on any weekday between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.) be and the same be hereby adopted as the Articles of the said Company to the exclusion of and in substitution for all the existing Articles thereof.

Dated this 27th day of January 1913.

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.

General Managers.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT
CO., LTD.

THE CHINA PROVIDENT
LOAN AND MORTGAGE
CO., LD.

(CAPITAL PAID UP, \$1,200,000.)

Loans on Mortgage of House Property

&c.

Goods received on Storage.

Advances made on Merchandise.

Loans made on the Provident System.

(Rates and Particulars on application.)

THE OFFICE OF

TRUSTEE, EXECUTOR OF

WILLS, ATTORNEY, &c.,

Undertaken and Executed.

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1908

Madras and Fruit Cakes 50 and

60 cents per lb. Wedding and Birth-

day Cakes from \$1.00 per lb.

ALEXANDER & CO.

Entertainments

VICTORIA THEATRE.

DIRECT FROM AMERICA
HUGHES'
MUSICAL COMEDY COMPANY
OF 25 TALENTED ARTISTS—MOSTLY GIRLS.
4 COMEDIANS—ALL FUNNY
COMPLETE CHANGE OF PROGRAMME.
FOR 3 FAREWELL PERFORMANCES.

TO-NIGHT.

By general and unanimous request
THE HONGKONG'S FAVOURITE
THE GRAFTERS
Saturday Matinee 3.30 & Saturday evening Feb. 1st
SPEDERBOUNDER'S DREAM
The biggest novelty ever presented in Hongkong.
A change of scenery in 25 seconds.
Sunday Matinee 6 p.m. & Sunday Evening Feb. 2nd
The Pretty Musical Comedy
HANS NICK
1st Time in Hongkong.
Prices, \$2 and \$1, Soldiers and Sailors 70 Cents.
Plan at MOUTRIE'S.

BOXING! BOXING!!

A GRAND BOXING DISPLAY TO BE HELD AT THE
CITY HALL.
On Saturday, 1st February 1913, commencing at 9 p.m.
ARMY AND NAVY CHAMPIONSHIPS.
Main Event 15 Rounds.
Seaman Stevens v. Seaman Powell
(Heavyweight Champion of the Garrison.) (Heavyweight Champion of the Fleet)
For the Middleweight of the Garrison.

Lightweight Contest 10 Rounds.
Seaman Hamley v. Seaman Wilkinson
(Challenge) (Hider)
For the Lightweight Championship of the Garrison.
Heavyweight Contest 10 Rounds.
Corpl. Scott R. E. v. Seaman Bates
Lightweight Contest 6 Rounds.
Seaman Taylor v. Seaman Cawley
Bantamweight Contest 6 Rounds.
Stoker Donnelly v. Stoker Sullivan
(Winner of 30 Contests.)
Booking at Moutrie & Co.'s
Ringside \$5.00. Other Seats \$3.00, \$2.00 & \$1.00. Soldiers
and Sailors half price to \$2.00 Seats.
Promoter: F. E. HALL.

PHILHARMONIC CONCERT
IN THE THEATRE ROYAL.
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8th at 9.15 p.m.
ED. GERMAN'S OPERA
MERRIE ENGLAND
Band and Chorus of 100 PERFORMERS.
Plan at LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Dress Circle and Orchestra Stalls \$3.
Stalls \$2. Pit \$1.
Gallery 50 cents.

Notices

BRITISH NORTH BORNEO
GOVERNMENT.

CONTRACT FOR PUBLIC
WORKS.

THE BRITISH NORTH BORNEO GOVERNMENT invite tenders for the construction of about 12 Acres of Reclamation, the repairs of and an extension of 300 feet to a Steel and Ferro-concrete Jetty, the supply and laying of about 3½ miles of 6" dia. and 1 mile of lesser Cast Iron Pipes, the formation of an Earth Embankment, the construction of a Waste-weir, Service Tanks etc., and the supply and erection of Pumps, at Jesselton; together with smaller Waterworks at Sandakan.

Copies of the Plans and Specification may be inspected at the Engineer's Office any morning on and after Saturday February 1st 1913.
A set of Copies of the Drawings, Conditions of Contract, Specification, Schedule of Quantities, Bills of Prices and Form of Tender may be obtained at the Engineer's Office on and after Saturday February 8th on presentation of One Hundred Dollars, Straits Currency, returnable on receipt of a Bond Fide Tender.
Sealed Tenders, accompanied by the above Documents, and upon the Form provided, must be deposited with the Engineer on or before Monday the 24th of February, 1913 at 12 noon.
The Government does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

M. B. FRIEDBERGER,
A. M. Inst. C.E.
Engineer.

Singapore
1A, Raffles Quay,
8th Jan., 1913. [1058]

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL
SOCIETY.

ANNUAL SHOW.

THE Flower and Vegetable Show will be held on the 7th and 8th March, in the Botanic Gardens.
Intending Exhibitors should send their entry-forms to the Hon. S. Secretary not later than the 28th February.
Copies of Rules and Schedules may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary.
L. GIBBS,
4 Beaconfield Arcade,
Hongkong, 27th Jan., 1913. [1105] PICTURES ONLY 7/1

Entertainments

THEATRE ROYAL
CITY HALL.

Commencing—
TUESDAY, FEB. 4, 1913.
Farewell Visit of
THE EMINENT ACTOR
ALLAN WILKIE

and full London Co., including
MISS FREDISWYDE
HUNTER-WATTS.
The Greatest and Most Versatile
Actress that has ever
visited the East.

TUESDAY, February 4th.
Louis N. Parker's Great Costume
Drama

THE CARDINAL.
(as played at the St. James'
Theatre London).

WEDNESDAY, February 5th.
GEO. DU MAURIER'S Play
TRILBY.

THURSDAY, February 6th.
Sir ARTHUR PINERO'S Domestic
Comedy

SWEET LAVENDER.
MONDAY, February 10th.
SHAKESPEARE'S FARCICAL
COMEDY

THE TAMING OF THE SHREW.
TUESDAY, February 11th.
OSCAR WILDE'S Play
LADY WINDERMERE'S FAN.

(positively last performance in
Hongkong)
Booking at Messrs. MOUTRIE & Co.
Prices, \$3, \$2 and \$1.
Curtain at 9.15 p.m.

BIJOU.

9.15 PROGRAMME, 9.15
LOVE'S YOUNG DREAM
(Drama).

WINTER SPORTS AT BOLEDA
Two Star Comics
and

NEWS OF THE DAY
Meet of The Royal Stag Hounds.
British, French and Russian
Fleets off Constantinople.
Great Fire at Johannesburg.
Latest War Scenes.

Miss CECILE STEPHANO
(Classical Contralto Vocalist).
Miss DOLLY SWIFT
(Soubrette).

4 Beaconfield Arcade,
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Head Office: 60, Wall Street, New York.
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BRANCHES: Kobe, Manila, Mexico, Cebu, Panama, San Francisco, Shanghai, Yokohama, Hongkong, Canton, Hankow, Peking, Tientsin, Lyons.

Capital and Reserves: \$1,000,000,000 (Gold).
Assets: \$1,000,000,000 (Gold).
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THE BANK'S CIRCULAR LETTERS OF CREDIT are available all over the world.
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GEORGE HOGG,
Manager.

9, Queen's Road, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 1st Nov., 1912 1913

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Interest Allowed on Current Account.
Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.

EISHI ONO,
Manager.
Hongkong, 11th Jan., 1913. [18]

Public Companies

THE KOWLOON LAND AND
BUILDING COMPANY
LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY FOURTH ORDINARY MEETING (SHAREHOLDERS) in this COMPANY will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, VICTORIA BUILDINGS on MONDAY 10th February, 1913 at noon, for the purpose of receiving the REPORT of the DIRECTORS together with STATEMENT of ACCOUNTS for the year ending 31st December 1912.

THE REGISTER OF SHARES of the COMPANY will be closed from Saturday, 1st February to Monday 10th February, 1913, (both days inclusive), which period no TRANSFER of SHARES can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors
MOW BRAY S. NORTHCOOTE
Acting Secretary to the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.
Agents for the Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 24th Jan., 1913. [132]

NOTICES

STOCKBROKERS' ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

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FRIDAY, 28th November.
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Hongkong, 25th Jan., 1913. [185]

LESSONS IN CHINESE.

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RESERVE FUND: \$1,000,000.
Selling 2,000,000 at 10%.

RESERVE LIABILITY OF PRO. \$1,000,000.
PRIMERS: \$1,000,000.

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N. J. STARR, Chief Manager.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Balances may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed on the minimum monthly balances of \$25. Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 per Cent. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
N. J. STARR, Chief Manager.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

Incorporated by Royal Charter 1853.

HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.
Paid-up Capital: £1,200,000.
Reserve Fund: £1,650,000.
Reserve Liability of Proprietors: £1,200,000.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking business transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

Wm. DICKSON,
Manager.
Hongkong, 11th April, 1912. [22]

DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK.

Capital Fully Paid-up: Sh. Taels 7,500,000.
Head Office—Shanghai.
Board of Directors—Berlin.

Branches: Berlin, Calcutta, Canton, Hamburg, Hankow, Kobe, Peking, Singapore, Tientsin, Tsingtau, Yokohama.

LONDON BANKERS: Messrs. N. M. Rothschild & Sons, The Union of London and Smith's Bank Limited.

Deutsche Bank (Berlin), London Agent.

Direction der Disconto-Gesellschaft.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account. DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application. Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

R. TIMMERSCHIEDT,
Manager.
Hongkong, 9th Oct. 1911. [2]

THE MERCHANTS BANK OF INDIA LIMITED.

Authorised Capital: £1,500,000.
Subscribed: " 1,125,000.
Paid Up: " 500,000.
Reserve Fund: " 365,000.

HEAD OFFICE: 40, Threadneedle Street, London, E.C.

BRANCHES: Bombay, Calcutta, Cebu, Hongkong, Singapore, Peking, Shanghai, Yokohama, Madras, Kotsa Bahm, Kelantan, Karachi, Kuala Lumpur, F.M.S., Rangoon, Hongkong, Colombo, Shanghai.

AGENTS IN JAPAN: Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. BANKERS: Bank of England, London Joint Stock Bank, Ltd.

EVERY description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Stocks and Shares bought and sold on account of Constituents. Letters of Credit granted on Agents and Correspondents all over the world.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts at 2 per cent. per Annum on Daily Balances and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained on application.

P. O. MACDONALD,
Manager.

Exchange

Selling.	Buying.
T/T Demand 2-1/2	4 m/s. L/O 2-1/2
30 d/s 2-1/2	4 m/s. D/P 2-1/2
60 d/s 2-1/2	6 m/s. L/O 2-1/2
4 m/s 2-1/2	30 d/s. Sney & Melbourne 2-1/2
T/T Shanghai 7-1/2	30 d/s. San F'co & New York 50-5
T/T Singapore 8-1/2	4 m/s. Marks 2-1/2
T/T India 9-1/2	4 m/s. Francs 2-63/4
Demand India 15-1/2	6 m/s. do 2-63/4
Demand, Manila 100-4	Bar Silver, ready 28-1/2
T/T San F'co & New York 49-4	forward 28 11/16
T/T Java 123	Gold Leaf per tael 50
T/T Marks 209	Bank of England rate 5%
T/T Francs 2-58	Sovereign \$9.78

Subsidiary Coins. Malwa, Old 2,450 "

Discount per \$100. Chinese ... 20 cts. pieces ... \$5 13/16. Patna, New 2,750 peroh.

Chinese ... 10 \$7 1/4. Patna, Old 2,500 "

Hongkong 20 \$6 3/4. Benares, New 2,800 "

Hongkong 10 \$7. Benares, Old 2,625 "

Opium Quotation. Jan. 17. Malwa, New \$2,200 perpic.

SHARE REPORT.

S-SELLERS SA-SALE B-BUYERS

STOCKS & PAID UP VALUE. CLOSING QUOTE. LAST DIVIDEND AND DATE.

BANKS. Hongkong & Shanghai \$125 \$835 \$20.00 at ex 2-1/16 equal to \$19.95 for 1/4 year ending 30/6/12

